

GEOVEKST – A Norwegian Program for Cost Sharing in Production, Updating and Administration of Geographic Data

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ABSTRACT

Geovekst is a nation-wide program for co-operation on establishing digital geographic data in Norway. The basic concept is pooling of money for jointly executed projects for establishing, improving and maintaining large scale digital geographic data. A general agreement on the Geovekst program includes the State Road Department, the Board of Electricity Companies, the Norwegian Association of Local Authorities, Norwegian Mapping Authority, the Telecommunication Department and the Ministry of Agriculture. Other services may participate in the program in specific regions. The Norwegian Mapping Authority undertakes the co-ordinating role both on national and regional level. The practical execution is organised as individual projects through which digital data is established and administrated in specific, limited geographic areas. The projects are based on an agreed set of standard rules and manuals, which facilitate the exchange and sharing of data across administrative boundaries.

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